

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.
 AUTHORIZED CAPITAL: \$50,000,000
 PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$25,000,000
 RESERVE FUND: \$25,000,000
 PROFIT AND LOSS: \$25,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
 G. M. Young, Esq., Chairman.
 W. F. White, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
 H. E. Bell, Esq., Hon. Mr. A. O. Lee.
 D. G. M. Bernard, Esq., W. A. Patterson, Esq.
 J. A. Plummer, Esq., R. G. W. Wall, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
 A. H. BARLOW, Esq.

Manager, Shanghai—G. H. STITT, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS,
 Westminster Bank, Ltd.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in
 LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED
 DEPOSITS received for one year or
 shorter periods in Local Currency and
 Sterling on terms which will be quoted
 on application.
 Hongkong, 20th May 1925.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is
 conducted by the HONGKONG
 AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORP-
 ORATION. Rules may be obtained
 on application.

INTEREST on deposits is calculated
 on the lowest balance during each com-
 pleted Calendar Month at 3 1/2 per cent.
 per annum. Should there be no balance
 on any day in a month no interest will
 be allowed for that month.

Depositors may transfer at their
 option Balances of \$100 or more to the
 HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK
 to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at
 CURRENT RATES.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
 BANKING CORPORATION,
 A. H. BARLOW,
 Chief Manager.
 Hongkong 7th January, 1925.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

HEAD OFFICE:
 96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.
 Subscribed Capital: Frs. 20,000,000
 Paid-up Capital: Frs. 10,000,000
 Reserve Fund: Frs. 10,000,000

BRANCHES:
 Bangkok, Hongkong, Saigon,
 Shanghai, Canton, Peking,
 Hankow, Tientsin, Yunnan,
 Haiphong, Pondicherry.

IN FRANCE: Compagnie Nationale d'Escompte
 de Paris, Credit Lyonnais, Societe de Paris et
 des Pays-Bas, Credit Industriel et Commercial,
 Societe Generale.

IN LONDON: The National Provincial &
 County Bank of England, Ltd.; Compagnie
 Nationale d'Escompte de Paris, Credit Lyonnais
 (IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co.,
 French American Banking Corporation,
 Guaranty Trust Co. of New York).

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and
 Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.
 Every description of Banking and Exchange
 business transacted.
 A. LECOT,
 Manager.
 Hongkong, March 20, 1924.

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL
MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY.)

Established 1874

Authorized Capital: 1,000,000
 Paid-up Capital: 500,000
 Reserve Fund: 500,000
 Special Reserve: 250,000

HEAD OFFICE: Amsterdam.
 EASTERN HEAD OFFICE: Batavia.

BRANCHES:
 Batavia, Bencoolen, Borneo,
 Calcutta, Cebu, Hongkong,
 Kobe, London, Manilla,
 Peking, Rangoon, Shanghai,
 Singapore, Soerabaya, Swatow,
 Tientsin, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS:
 National Provincial Bank, Ltd.
 Correspondents all over the world.
 BANKING BUSINESS OF EVERY
 DESCRIPTION.
 M. J. HERBSCHLEE,
 Manager.
 Hongkong, November 4, 1924.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE
BANK, LTD.

Established 1880.

Capital (full paid-up): Yen 100,000,000
 Reserve Fund: Yen 85,000,000

Head Office: YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies at:
 Batavia, Newchwang,
 Bombay, New York,
 Buenos Ayres, Osaka,
 Calcutta, Peking,
 Canton, Rangoon,
 Changchun, Rio de Janeiro,
 Dairen (Dalny), Saigon,
 Fungtien (Mukden), San Francisco,
 Hankow, Seattle,
 Harbin, Shanghai,
 Honolulu, Shimonoseki,
 Kailashan, Singapore,
 Kobe, Soerabaya,
 London, Sydney,
 Los Angeles, Tokyo,
 Lyons, Yokohama,
 Manila, Yawata,
 Nagasaki, Vladivostok.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts
 and Fixed Deposits. Terms on applica-
 tion.
 Every description of Banking Busi-
 ness transacted.
 Loans granted on approved securities.
 Special facilities for Home Remittances.
 O. A. J. A. M. A.
 Manager.
 Hongkong, 17th September, 1924.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIATIC
LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.
 10, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

Authorized Capital: \$10,000,000
 Paid-up Capital: \$5,000,000
 Reserve Fund: \$5,000,000

DIRECTORS:
 Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Sun—Chairman.
 Fung Ping Shan, Mok Ching Kong,
 Li Koon Chun, Wong Yun Tong,
 P. K. Kwok, Huiyuh Tai,
 Fong Ching Luk, Kan Ying Po,
 Fong Wai Tung, Chan Ching Shek.

Every description of Banking and
 Exchange business transacted. Loans
 granted on approved securities.
 SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES to let.
 KAN TONG PO,
 Chief Manager.
 Hongkong, 18th February, 1925.

司公理管業實中

SOCIETE FRANCAISE DE
 GERANCE.
 DE LA BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE
 DE CHINE.

ETABLISSEMENT FRANCO
 CHINOIS.
 (Incorporated in France).

5, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

HEAD OFFICE: 74, Rue St. Lazare,
 Paris.

Subscribed Capital fully
 paid-up: Frs. 10,000,000
 Reserve Fund: Frs. 10,000,000

Working fund provided by
 THE BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE
 DE CHINE.
 Frs. 50,000,000.

BANKERS:
 Paris: Societe Generale, Banque
 Nationale de Credit, Banque de
 Paris et des Pays-Bas.
 London: Midland Bank, Ltd.
 New York: Irving Bank Columbia Trust
 Co.

Every description of Banking and
 Exchange business transacted. Corre-
 spondents throughout the world.
 A. ROLLIN,
 Manager.
 Hongkong, 2nd August, 1925.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF
INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL
 CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital: £5,000,000
 Reserve Fund: £4,000,000
 Reserve Liability of Pro-
 prietors: £3,000,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General
 Banking business transacted.
 CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and
 FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or
 shorter periods at rates which will be
 quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
 Manager.
 Hongkong, 15th April, 1925.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD.
(Taiwan Ginko.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial
 Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed: Yen 80,000,000
 Capital (Paid-up): Yen 52,500,000
 Reserve Fund: Yen 12,500,000

HEAD OFFICE:
 DAIEPH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES:
 JAPAN: Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe,
 Osaka.
 FORMOSA: Tainan, Keelung, Kanton,
 Keelung, Makung, Nanto, Pinan,
 Shichiku, Taichu, Tainan, Takow,
 Tamsui, Toiyen, Aiko.

CHINA: Shanghai, Hankow, Amoy,
 Foochow, Swatow, Canton,
 Others: Bangkok, Hongkong, Singa-
 pore, Soerabaya, Samarang,
 Batavia, Bombay, London, New
 York, Calcutta.

LONDON BANKERS:
 London County Westminster and
 Parr's Bank.

The Bank has Correspondents in the Comman-
 wealth of the British Empire, India, Java,
 Ceylon, China, Japan, Indo-China, Siam, Indo-
 China, Philippines, Java, and Dutch India, Aus-
 tralia, America, Africa, etc.
 Interest allowed on Current Accounts, and
 Fixed Deposits at rates which will be quoted on applica-
 tion.

HONGKONG BRANCH:

3, Des Voeux Road Central,
 Hongkong, 6th June, 1924.

THE BANK OF CHINA.

(Specially Authorized by Presidential
 Mandate of the Republic of China
 on the 22nd of November, 1917).

Authorized Capital: \$50,000,000.00
 Paid-up Capital: \$18,278,600.00
 Reserve Fund: \$9,829,425.24

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
 4, Queen's Road Central,
 Branches and Sub-branches all over
 China and Correspondents in Europe,
 America, and other parts of the world.
 London Bankers: The National Provin-
 cial and County Bank of England, Ltd.
 The Guaranty Trust Company of New
 York.

New York Bankers: The Irving
 National Bank.
 The Equitable Trust Company of New
 York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts
 and Fixed Deposits. Terms on applica-
 tion.
 Every description of Banking Busi-
 ness transacted.
 Loans granted on approved securities.
 Special facilities for Home Remittances.
 O. A. J. A. M. A.
 Manager.
 Hongkong, 17th September, 1924.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

LANCASHIRE'S LOSSES.

The Trouble in China.

A total irrecoverable loss to
 Lancashire so far of £2,000,000
 was the grave estimate of one of the
 leading Manchester shippers on
 August 5, of the trading set-back
 which the county has suffered from
 the unrest in China. He estimated
 that this country's trading loss was
 £750,000 a month, of which by far
 the greater part is directly lost to
 the Lancashire cotton trade. In
 round figures about a million
 pounds' worth of cotton-piece goods
 is ordinarily exported to China from
 Lancashire, and the published re-
 ports for June show this to have de-
 clined to only £636,000 worth, and
 it should be noted that this exporta-
 tion concerned many commitments
 entered into before the trouble in
 China began. One substantial
 factor in reducing the export of
 £100,000 has been the action of
 shippers and manufacturers in with-
 holding goods rather than run the
 risk of losing them. Even with
 quick recovery, the shipper de-
 clared, the ultimate deal loss would
 probably be £2,000,000.

"Backhand Buying."

A trade paper published during
 the first week in August states that
 the position in China is improving.
 Events have proved, it continues,
 that the shipping strike and boycott
 are not so effective as a few weeks
 ago, and that it is now possible to
 run restricted steamer services to
 some of the ports and clear a moder-
 ate amount of cargo. Buying for
 China is beginning to show more
 life, and it only needs a resumption
 of the services to set demand moving
 briskly again. This view is en-
 dorsed in "The Financial News" by
 a responsible and reliable authority
 in close touch with current Chinese
 affairs, who states that while the
 official boycott on British goods
 continues in force, it is characteris-
 tic of the Chinese as a nation that
 a good deal of "backhand" trading
 has been put forward from time
 to time as actual losses must not be
 strictly treated as such. Large
 stocks are carried by merchants in
 the principal commercial centres,
 and these are being worked off
 gradually. British merchants with
 old-established connections in the
 Republic knew their China well,
 and if the full extent of the "back-
 hand" trading could be made pub-
 lic, it would go far to reassure
 those who view the position with
 alarm. During the past eight weeks
 stocks of British and other Euro-
 pean merchandise in the country
 have been absorbed quietly,
 and now that the disturbances are
 assuming a less serious aspect, the
 time for the full replenishment of
 these stocks cannot be far distant.
 Once a condition is reached when
 established much ground temporarily
 lost will be regained. One
 aspect of the situation should not
 be overlooked. While Britain is
 overwhelmed with domestic trou-
 bles, and the operation of an
 official boycott in her valuable
 Chinese market, other European
 countries are not letting the grass
 grow under their feet, and it is,
 in consequence, not surprising to
 learn that German traders in particu-
 lar are preparing an active
 commercial campaign.

RICH SOCIALISTS'
BEQUESTS.

Land For Tenants "Who
 Are Actual Owners."

The remarkable will of Mr.
 Evangelon Gherissima Raptopoulos,
 a Greek of Karachi,
 India, has been filed at Somerset
 House. The value of the English
 portion of the estate is £14,391.

The outstanding bequest in
 this human document gives his
 landed property in Greece, with
 certain exceptions, "to the tenant-
 cultivators, lessees, collectors of
 produce, etc., whether they are
 regular ones or extraordinary
 (temporary) ones, even for a
 period of ten days, who happen to
 be in occupation on the day on
 which this will will be published,
 they being the actual owners since
 they were cultivators thereof."

HIS MAXIM.
 "I do this being a Socialist from
 my early age (Thou shalt eat thy
 bread at the sweat of thy
 brow)."

Other bequests include sums
 for the construction of schools
 for dowries for ten girls, "if
 possible literate and presenting a
 certificate that they are healthy,
 free from hereditary disease, and
 quite sound of body" for ten
 boys, "for their studies," and
 many others for charitable and
 Church purposes.

The Spanish Council of State
 has granted 10,000,000 pesetas as
 a loan for navigation,
 but a campaign is being launched
 to reserve the sum for the
 national reconstruction trade. This
 would make it difficult to carry on
 the high sea navigation to which
 Bilbao and other large ports
 are accustomed. A large sum
 of money has been granted.

IMPERIAL TOBACCO
DIVIDEND.

Market anticipations of an in-
 crease in the interim distribution
 on the ordinary shares of the
 Imperial Tobacco Company on
 account of the year ending
 October 31 next, as compared
 with the corresponding payment
 a year ago, have apparently been
 based on over-optimism with
 regard to the fortunes or the
 policy of the company. Instead
 of the declaration of an interim
 dividend of 8 per cent., free of
 tax, which was generally expect-
 ed, the company announced one of
 7 1/2 per cent., tax free, or the
 same as at this time last year.
 Rumours of a further bonus issue
 still persist, however, and it may
 be that the restriction of the
 interim distribution to 7 1/2 per
 cent. is not unconnected with a
 possible share bonus issue at the
 time of the final dividend declara-
 tion. The total payment for
 1923-24 was 22 1/2 per cent. The
 price of the shares was marked
 down to below 93s. on the an-
 nouncement.

BARCLAY'S BANK.

New Financial Amalgamation
Announced.

London, August 15.—A far-
 reaching bank amalgamation,
 covering the African continent
 and the West Indies is announced
 here by Barclay's Bank, which
 has absorbed the Colonial Bank
 operating in the West Indies,
 Nigeria and West Africa, the
 Anglo-Egyptian Bank operating
 in Egypt, Malta and Gibraltar,
 and the National Bank of South
 Africa with branches throughout
 South Africa and Mauritius.
 The new bank represents the
 first real Empire bank, as hitherto
 British foreign and domestic
 banking has been generally car-
 ried on by separate institutions.
 The amalgamated banks will
 operate under the name of Bar-
 clay's Bank Dominion Colonial
 and Overseas, and will have the
 same major officials as Barclay's
 Bank.
 The new institution means
 securing a real banking unity
 throughout the Empire, and it is
 hoped that it will foster trade
 between the various colonies and
 dominions. It starts with a
 capital of £10,000,000 and
 £1,000,000 reserves.

MESOPOTAMIA COTTON.

Needs Only Development and
Irrigation.

London, July 27.—"It is an
 established fact that the soil and
 conditions (in Iraq) are suitable
 for the cultivation of cotton—in-
 fact from ancient Arabic writ-
 ings it is known that cotton has
 been cultivated in Iraq from the
 beginning of the Christian era,
 and it is not improbable that it
 was grown by the ancient
 Babylonians."
 So writes W. H. Himbury who
 recently visited Mesopotamia, or
 Iraq, as the territory administered
 by the British is now called,
 on behalf of the British Cotton
 Growing Association.
 The chief need of the coun-
 try, says Mr. Himbury, is the
 development and extension of
 drainage and irrigation. The
 cotton is grown by tenant farmers
 who share with the landlord,
 though sometimes a third interest
 partakes of the profit, namely, the
 man who owns the irrigating
 pumps. Both British and Indian
 reports note the excellent quality
 of Iraq cotton and the chief
 variety has been christened
 "Mesowhite."

A pioneer ginnery which has

dealt with the cotton produced up
to the present has been supplanted
by another large up-to-date
ginners capable of turning out
from 5,000 to 6,000 bales per
year.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1925.
 On London: ... 1/8
 On New York: ... 1/8
 On Shanghai: ... 1/8
 On Hongkong: ... 1/8
 On Canton: ... 1/8
 On Peking: ... 1/8
 On Tientsin: ... 1/8
 On Hankow: ... 1/8
 On Soerabaya: ... 1/8
 On Batavia: ... 1/8
 On Calcutta: ... 1/8
 On Bombay: ... 1/8
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 On Osaka: ... 1/8
 On Tokyo: ... 1/8

HONGKONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

	Sept. 3, 1925.	June, 1925.	June, 1924.
Seef Shirlon—Ngau Mei Pa	lb. 30	24	12
Prime Cut	lb. 30	24	12
Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	lb. 34	23	20
Roast—Shiu Ngau Yuk	lb. 36	24	22
Breast—Ngau Hung	lb. 30	20	18
Soup—Tong Yuk	lb. 30	20	18
Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	lb. 36	24	22
Steak—Sirlon—Ngau Lau	lb. 55	30	35
Sausages—Ngau Cheung	lb. 40	26	20
Bullock's Brains—Ngau No	per set 15	10	12
Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each 80	50	60
Tongue, corned—Ham Ngau Li	each 60	—	—
Head—Ngau Tau	lb. 24	13	14
Heart—Ngau Sam	lb. 30	20	18
Hump, Salt—Ngau Chun	each 10	10	12
Feet—Ngau Keuk	each 15	10	12
Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	each 30	20	22
Tail—Ngau Mei	lb. 24	13	14
Liver—Ngau Kon	lb. 6	6	7
Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	lb. 6	6	7
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau Tsai-tau	set \$1.20	\$1.00	\$1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pei Kwat	lb. 55	26	—
Leg—Yeung Pei Kwat	lb. 55	26	—
Shoulder—Yeung Kin	lb. 53	24	—
Saddle—Yeung On Yuk	lb. 55	—	—
Pigs' Chittlings—Chu Chong	per set 3	—	—
Brains—Chu No	lb. 18	15	—
Feet—Chu Keuk	lb. 30	15	18
Fry—Chu Chap	lb. 24	20	—
Head—Chu Sam	each 15	10	10
Kidneys—Chu Yiu	each 12	10	8
Liver—Chu Kon	lb. 43	30	24
Pork Chop—Chu Pai Kwat	lb. 38	25	23
Leg—Chu Pei	lb. 18	—	—
Loins—Chu Hau Tan	lb. 32	28	27
Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	lb. 22	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet—Yeung Tau-keuk	set \$1.00	60	70
Heart—Yeung Sam	each 15	8	7
Kidneys—Yeung Yiu	lb. 18	12	10
Liver—Yeung Kon	lb. 55	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order—Chu Tsai	lb. 25	25	22
Suet, Beef—Shang Ngau Yau	lb. 36	20	18
Mutton—Shang Yeung Yau	lb. 55	26	24
Veal—Ngau Tsai Yuk	lb. 30	20	19
Sausages—Ngau Tsai Cheung	lb. 40	20	20

Fish.

羊	羊	65	26	—
uk	羊	85	24	—
羊	羊	55	—	—
羊	羊	55	—	—
羊	羊	85	—	27
猪	猪	per set	3	12
猪	猪	lb.	18	15
猪	猪	猪	30	15
猪	猪	猪	24	18
猪	猪	猪	24	20
猪	猪	猪	15	10
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猪	猪	猪	38	23
猪	猪	猪	38	25
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猪	猪	猪	22	28
猪	猪	猪	22	27
猪	猪	猪	22	21
Tau-Kuok	猪	猪	21	60
猪	猪	猪	21	70
猪	猪	猪	15	8
猪	猪	猪	18	12
猪	猪	猪	55	26
Tsai	猪	猪	25	25
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MILITARY SPORT.

ALL BRANCHES FOR THE ARMY.

The latest Command Orders publish the following information regarding Garrison sports:—

FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

A meeting to arrange details of this League will be held in D.O.R.E. II Office Wellington Barracks at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, 17th inst. Units are requested to detail a representative to attend.

TENNIS LEAGUE.

Matches for this week:—

Monday.—R.A.O.C. v. R.A.S.C. Tuesday.—Small Units v. R.E. "B."

Wednesday.—H.Q. Wing, East Surrey Regiment, v. R.A.M.C. Thursday.—"A" Co. East Surrey Regiment, v. "D" Co. East Surrey Regiment. Friday.—R.E. "A" v. "B" Co. East Surrey Regiment.

Play to commence each day at 4 p.m. Tennis Doubles Championship.—The Challenge Cup and Souvenirs will be competed for at the termination of the Garrison Tennis League.

Conditions.—Open doubles from Units, open to W.O.s, N.C.O.s and Men of the Garrison. Any member of pairs from the same Unit. Games to be on the knock-out principle, best of three sets. Final to be best of five sets. No competition unless sixteen entries are received. Entries to be sent with entrance fees of \$2 per pair to be sent to the Tennis Secretary, Mr. G. T. May, Barrack Office, by Wednesday.

SWIMMING GALA.

H.E. the G.O.C. has kindly consented to present the Challenge Cup and Medals to the winners and runners-up of the Garrison Water Polo League, Garrison Unit Relay and Army Swimming Championship.

Programme.—Unit Relay Race Championship Cup. Individual Army Championship Race Challenge Cup. Water Polo.—Winners versus the rest of League.

Commence 4.30 p.m. Wednesday, 23rd inst. in the R.A.S.C. Canteen.

Entries with fee of \$5 for the Unit Relay Race, to be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary, G.R.C., Wellington Barracks, by 12 noon, on the 19th inst.

Rules.—Teams of 7 men from Companies, Battalions, R.F., Small Units or any Departmental Corps, may enter as a team separately.

Distance:—1st man to swim free style, 30yds. 2nd " " 60yds. 3rd " " 90yds. 4th " " 90yds. 5th " " 60yds. 6th " " 30yds. 7th " " 60yds.

Entries for Individual Championship with fee of \$1 to reach the Hon. Secretary, G.R.C., by noon on the 19th inst.

Rules.—Open to all ranks. Distance.—90yds. breast stroke. 90yds. back stroke. 90yds. style.

BILLIARDS.

Entries with fee of \$5 for Garrison Billiards Challenger Cup (eight a side) to be forwarded to the Hon. Sec., G.R.C., by 12 noon on the 19th inst. Rules will be forwarded to all concerned early next week. Play to commence on 21st inst.

Military Amateur Championship of the Colony.—Entries with fee of 50 cents to be forwarded to the Hon. Sec., G.R.C., by 12 noon on October 1. All games to be played on the match table. Soldiers' Club.

WATER POLO LEAGUE.

Matches for this week:—Monday.—"B" Co. v. 25th Hvy. Bty. "A" Co. v. R.E.A.M.C.

Tuesday.—"C" Co. v. "D" Co.; 25th Hvy. Bty. v. H.Q. Wednesday.—18th Hvy. Bty. v. "B" Co.; 25th Hvy. Bty. v. R.E.A.M.C.

Thursday.—H.Q. v. 18th Hvy. Bty.; 38th Hvy. Bty. v. "C" Co.

Friday.—"A" Co. v. "D" Co.; "B" Co. v. 38th Hvy. Bty.

Saturday.—"D" Co. v. H.Q.; "C" Co. v. "A" Co.

First named team to commence at 5 p.m. sharp.

Paris, September 13.—The new taxes levied to meet the budget deficit include an increase of 10 per cent. on commercial and industrial profits; a tax of 10 per cent. on salaries and wages; and a new tax on tobacco, wine and spirits.

MOROCCO FIGHTING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Sept. 12.

A Fez message states that after intensive artillery preparation by air and land the French troops in Morocco opened an offensive yesterday morning on all wings of the front. The last communication says that all objectives, which were the posts occupied by the French before the Rifian aggression, had been attained everywhere. The enemy, after a little resistance, began to retreat towards the North. Meanwhile the foreseen counter attacks to be opened to-night by Rif groups are signalled by aviators. The French losses are very small.—Havas.

Fez, Sept. 12.

French troops have occupied Zauideamjot, the capital of the Beniheral tribe, fourteen kilometres north-west of Tafrant.

To-day's communiqué states that the attacking groups enlarged their operations which are developing excellently. The advanced elements occupied new villages at points of vantage.

OPERATIONS CONTINUE.

Paris, Sept. 12.

A message from Fez says the new situation is unchanged. The enemy retired swiftly, moving northwards. Aircraft report enemy concentration on a number of fronts indicating that the Rifis are recovering from the surprise attack on the intended counter-attack last night. French operations, however, will be continued to-day and extend over the occupied area.

Franco-Spanish messages from Morocco indicate a slow but certain advance with casualties small. A Madrid communiqué says Spanish troops have reinforced the western front and have continued operations, occupying positions affording advantageous starting points for further advance. The enemy suffered heavy casualties amounting to 500 alone on the Beniheral sector near Tetuan.

A TRAITOR?

Paris, Sept. 13.

It is reported from Algiers that M. Henriot, Communist Deputy for the Seine, who was recently at Oran and is now at Algiers has been arrested on a charge of conspiring against the internal security of the State, as he was about to embark for Marseilles.—Reuter.

The French gains described in Fez despatches were notably the capture of Jebelamrot mountain commanding the whole Teroual district. The French losses were slight.

A Tangier message mentions that a friendly tribe had repelled a Rif attack. The Rifis are strongly pressing the Spanish western front especially at Darbenkarrieh, southwest of Tetuan. The enemy has been reinforced by several thousand men on the Branes front.

GARRISON HOLDS OUT.

The details of the fighting received from Fez show that the Rifis repeatedly and vigorously assaulted the small garrison on Issual Height, supported by hundred millimetre guns directed by Europeans whose white uniforms were clearly distinguishable. The Rifis reached the entanglements but were driven back and have now abandoned the attack. The centre of enemy resistance is Bibane Massief which is defended by means of trenches dug into the sides of the hills and cleverly camouflaged, but the French are likely to encircle the position. Several tribes are giving signs of submission. The French successes are attributed to accurate gunnery and the judicious use of tanks.—Reuter.

Paris, Sept. 13.

The correspondent of the "Journal" telegraphic from Melilla that anticipating the resumption of the Spanish offensive at Alhucemas the Rifis are retreating to the mountains. Aircraft are continually bombing the Adjir district.

HEAVY RIFIAN CASUALTIES

Madrid Sept. 13.

Reports from Tetuan states that the general commanding in Morocco in a communiqué says that the troops yesterday advanced two kilometres and captured a village after most obstinate fighting. The enemy left sixty dead. The Spanish losses were seventy. Reports from Melilla state that two Spanish cruisers and some transports without troops landed a landing at Wadian on the 11th. The cruisers are causing heavy casualties among the Rifis who left about as the vessels approached the shore.—Reuter.

EPIC OF THE SEA.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Honolulu, Sept. 12.

The vicissitudes of the American seaplane crew in their ten days' drift are described in a long account issued by Commander Rodgers. He says they sailed before the wind about fifty miles a day. They cut the fabric of the lower wing and rigged up a foresail and constructed a little water still by burning wood from the edges of the lower wings. By this means they obtained one and a half canteens of water in five hours' distillation. They devised lee-boards to assist their crossing of the Kaui channel. The plane encountered a heavy rain squall on the eighth day and caught two gallons of water in fabric taken from the wings. They rigged up a wireless transmitter which failed to work although the receiving apparatus gave information of everything happening around.

Honolulu, Sept. 13.

Commander Rodgers and his four seaplane comrades were wildly welcomed on arrival. All were ordered to hospital for further examination, food and sleep. One said big black sharks followed them daily, apparently waiting for choice bits of human flesh.

INDIA'S PROBLEMS.

(Reuter's Service.)

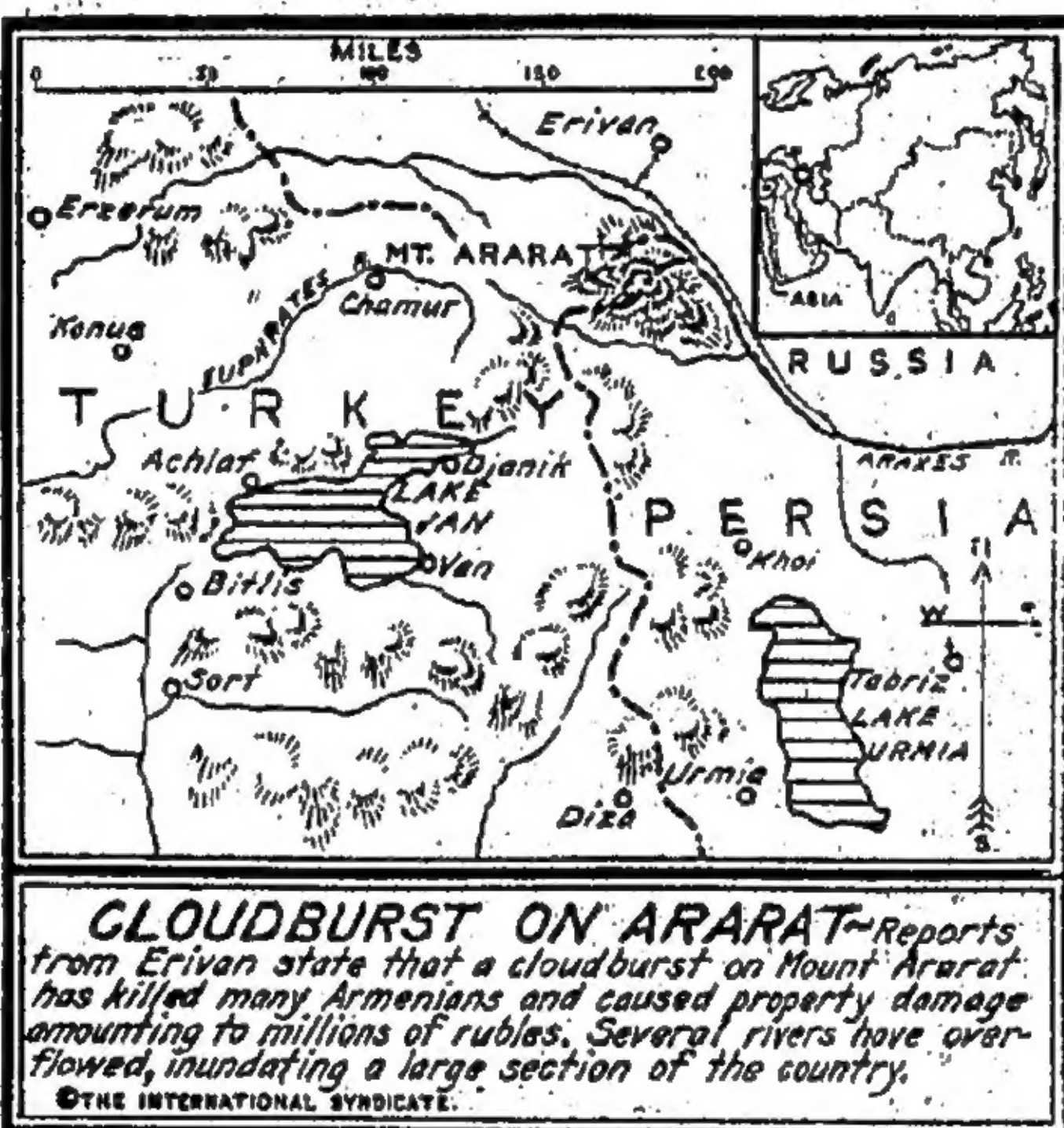
Simla, Sept. 12.

The Council of State discussed the Muddiman report, and rejected by 29 votes to 10 an amendment which was substantially the same as that moved by Motilal on September 8.

The amendment was to the effect that the constitution should be fundamentally changed. Motilal Nehru urging that a conference representing all interests should frame a scheme for the approval of the Legislature to be submitted to the British Parliament.

Later.

The Council of State by 29 votes to 7 carried the Government resolution endorsing the conclusions of the majority report of the Muddiman committee. A proposal that the Government consider the minority report as soon as possible was rejected by 28 votes to seven.—Reuter.



CLONDBURST ON ARARAT—Reports from Erivan state that a clondburst on Mount Ararat has killed many Armenians and caused property damage amounting to millions of rubles. Several rivers have overflowed, inundating a large section of the country.

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SHIPPING STRIKE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Durban, Sept. 12.

The s.s. "Ulysses" from Australia is the first large steamer with a British crew to sail from Durban since the strike started. It departed after a midnight meeting of the crew who decided by a two-thirds majority to take the vessel to sea.

Sydney, Sept. 12.

Mr. Lang, the Premier of New South Wales, says the imprisoned seamen are regarded as political prisoners.

COSTLY DINNER.

A dinner at an hotel in Piccadilly has cost an ex-Cambridge undergraduate £4,000.

He is Mr. Everard Gates, the son of the late Mr. Ernest Gates, that Bradford millionaire woollen manufacturer, who died two months ago, having previously given £23,000 to Cambridge University.

"Don't make me out to be a boob," said Mr. Gates to a "Daily Express" representative, "or I shall be angry. As a matter of fact, I am one of the world's workers. I am Chairman although only twenty-two years old—of Ernest H. Gates and Co., Ltd., and I am just entering into a partnership for publishing books as well."

"What happened was this. I was going down to Henley, and I called in at my flat in Ryder Street to pack a suitcase. I saw a pile of letters there, including one containing, as I knew, a dividend warrant—probably cashable by bearer, but I am not yet sure—worth about £4,000. I threw them all into the bag and then drove off to the Berkeley Hotel for dinner."

"I left the car outside, but when I returned the bag had disappeared. I have informed Vine Street, and am now waiting for results."

Mr. Gates possesses an income of £40,000 a year, a flat in Ryder Street, a house in Curzon Street, two Rolls-Royces, and Buckingham Hall in Norfolk, the former residence of the late Mr. Lionel Robinson, the Australian millionaire.

"My father's will has not yet been proved," Mr. Gates, concluded, "so I do not really know how much it will come to."

Independent estimates of people who know the late Mr. Gates suggest that it may be anything between one million and three million pounds.



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SHREDS AND PATCHES.

steeped in European politics, merely proved that Rhodes had the crudities of his qualities and that his true milieu was not Europe, but the place where he belonged. There are many people built like that and quite a few have wandered to this part of the world. They are the type that would settle our troubles in what is described as "two winks of a lamb's tail."

PATRIOTS. Shall we amend the National Anthem?

"Rule Britannia! Britannia rules the nets; Britons never, never shall lose their sets." This is the suggestion of a London journalist on the news that principally on patriotic grounds Cyril Tolley, the mighty swifter at golf, is giving up that game in favour of tennis. Have we any local example? Has Bill Adams, who has swept the boards of silver spoons in local bowling tournaments, decided to take up cross words on patriotic lines? No. Pygmalion likely! Has the fact of prizes anything to do with ardency in sports? Will not the accumulation of these on sideboards and in cabinets be taken in the future as evidence of a dissipated life? Our idea of the laurel wreath holds good. No question of sour grapes is involved. Our athletic trophies include one silver medal (lost) gained in a walking contest, two silver spoons for tennis, and one fork and carver (marked "Sold as imperfect") for coming in third in a 220 yards race.

EXPLAINED. William Le Que we believe put into

a rhyme an explanation of the correct rendering of his name. It has much to commend it. The Liberian of Los Angeles recently complained that scarcely any of its inhabitants knew how the name was pronounced. In the hope of educating his fellow-citizens he circulated the following rhyme:—

The lady would remind you
please.

Her name is not Lost Ang
Lees,
Or Angie anything whatever.
She hopes her friends will be

To share her fit historic pride
The "g" must not be jellified;
"O" long, "h" hard, and sharp.

That's all about Loce Ang-
enn.

Which, perhaps, had the desired effect.

**THE EQUATOR IN A
DROUGHT.**

handhubs aft." A screen in
can be rigged forward on the fore-
castle to permit the king to see the

When all was ready two trumpeters stepped forth and sounded attention. This was the signal

the ship's band to strike up the admiral's march, and then the admiral of the royal navy appeared. The strikers were of yellow hunting

stripes were on yellow blinding
his chest was covered with
paign ribbons—wooden blood
striped with paint.

Next appeared King Neptune himself with the queen and the royal baby—a big engineer cover-

with black grease paint and riding in a baby carriage made by putting a box on a pair of aeroplane wheels. The royal baby was much used

the ceremony later, for one of the favourite sentences of the royal judges was to kiss the royal baby. Following the royal baby was

It is necessary to emphasise this undeniable fact. It may be necessary to urge it in the eyes of the

suggestion may not "acclimatise" with legal dignity, and we do not press it. But we do press the

proceedings of the Commission are faithfully reproduced in Chinese so as to leave no manner of doubt

precaution. But it is a precaution that should be taken, even though the meetings of the Commission

the findings which will follow as a result of the enquiry, the same should be announced by Peking.

The shootings at Shanghai in May took place on the authority of a

a strike and boycott principally against Britishers, their trade and institutions, to discipline and test

ble for it, as beneath consideration. But the treatment all along has been considerate: the

the cause of the outbreak will be considered. If congratulations are called for, it must be only on

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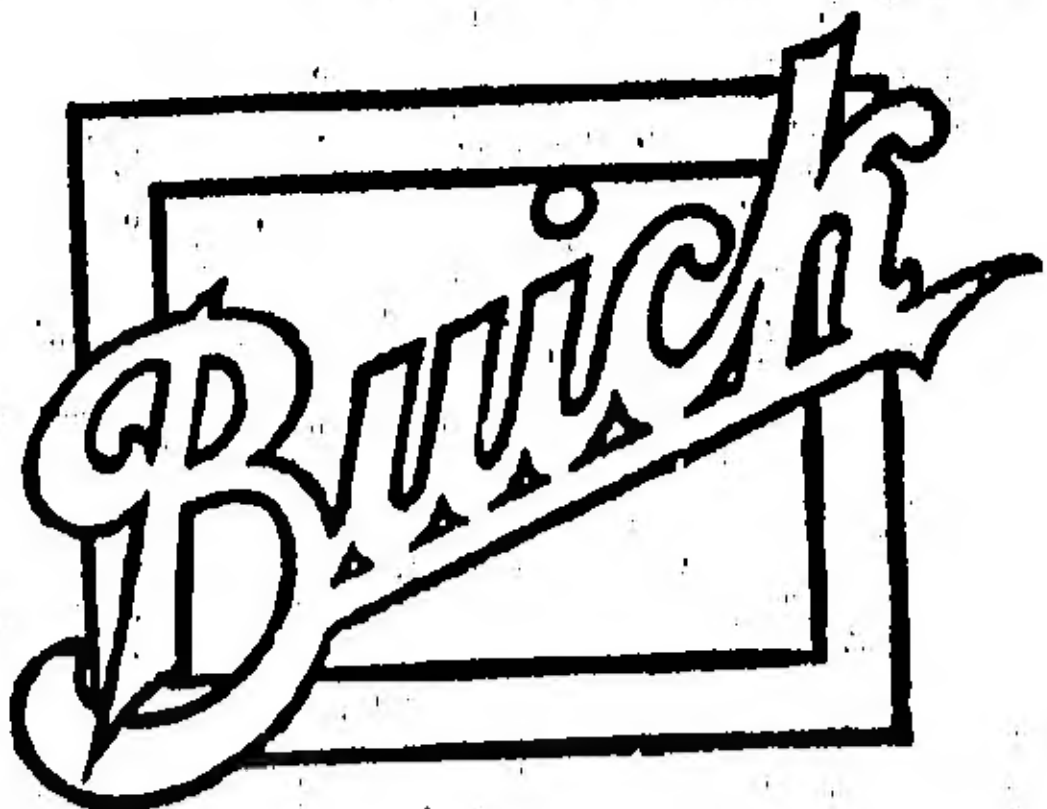
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Broadcasters gave another excellent show at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night, when they concluded their season in Hongkong.

Thousands of little keepsakes and comforts, intended for American soldiers in France and which never reached those to whom they were addressed, were turned over by the War Department to the Postmaster-General for disposition through the dead letter office. Addresses had been destroyed or so mutilated as to prevent delivery.

There is a "slump" on the monacle market. A superstition is running round the West End that monacles are unlucky, in view of the prominence given to the recent arrest of the "monacle" man. "Our sale of monacles has dwindled to almost nil," said the manager of a leading West End optician. "It is now confined almost entirely to those men who actually need them—i.e., those who suffer from astigmatism. It is not generally realised that at least two-thirds of the monacles now being worn in society are made of plain glass, beveled at the edges. Even very prominent men wear monacles purely for their decorative effect. Since the 'monacle' man case we have sold practically no plain-glass monacles. They are supposed to bring bad luck."

Says Truth:—The implications of "the traffic in arms" should be brought home to the public in this country by the case of Ching Sai Chai, the Chinese cook of a British steamer, who at West Ham was fined £478 4s. (six months imprisonment in default) for knowingly harbouring and concealing revolvers, Mauser pistols, and ammunition to that value on his ship—not to mention smuggling opium, for which he got another six months without option. Ching had stowed these precious goods in a tank for conveyance to his native land, where a ready and active market doubtless awaited them. A noteworthy feature in the case was that the munitions of war were put on board the ship at Hamburg. Hitherto the only known exporters of munitions for China have been French and American. Now the Germans are competing in the nefarious trade, and before our eyes in China are the results that come of it. When shall we know the outcome of all the talk recently devoted to this subject at Geneva?

Albert Johnson of New York has announced that a pigeon belonging to him which had been released from the liner "Paris" 1,000 miles at sea by friends of his had arrived back home. He believed this to be the longest pigeon flight on record.

"There are more vacancies for a £10,000 a year man than there are for a £2 a week man, because there are practically no vacancies for the latter," said Sir William Joynson-Hicks, British Home Secretary of State, at this year's prize distribution at Dean Close School, Cheltenham. "But the big jobs," he added, "are not the ordinary hours, and is content with the ordinary trade union wages." Sir William put his finger on Great Britain's main industrial difficulty at present. It is a difficulty which depends on the fact that labour efficiency in Great Britain has not yet increased in the same ratio as wages.

That guidebooks are fallible is the reluctant conclusion of a member of the Royal Geographical Society who writes as follows to the editor of the "Daily Mail": "Sir: Nelson, we all agree, stands high in public esteem, but how high does he stand in the sky? Desiring today to know the height of the column in Trafalgar Square, I referred to Baedeker's Guide to London (edition of 1923), which gave the total height as 170½ feet, of which the statue is 17 feet. Then I turned to Baedeker's London for 1911. The column (at that time certainly 12 years younger) was then declared to be 145 feet. My curiosity now thoroughly aroused, I fell upon Muirhead's Guide to London, edition 1922, which told me that the column was then 142 feet high. Next, Cassell's Guide to London (1921) gave the column's height as 145 feet. Cunningham's Handbook for London, 1849, told me the statue was not 17 but 18 feet high. Then I ascertained when the Nelson column was erected. The statue was set up in 1843, said Cunningham. The column was begun in 1840, said Baedeker (1923) but not completed until 1867. The monument was erected in 1843, said Baedeker (1911). The Nelson column was erected in 1840, said Cassell. The monument was erected, said Muirhead, in 1840-43. I begin to distrust guidebooks."

Eighty-five aeroplanes costing £12,467 were imported into Siam in the last fiscal year, seventy-five the year before, and twenty-five three years ago.

Examinations have been proceeding in London schools, with the usual crop of howlers and occasional answers that denote the wisdom of a philosopher beneath the guilelessness of a child. At one school the children were asked to explain the difference between conscience and cowardice. One child replied: "Conscience is when you are afraid. Cowardice is when the other fellow's afraid." At another school the history class were asked to write a brief account of the life of Joan of Arc. One paper read: "Joan of Arc: She was good, she was brave, she was honest, she was burnt."

Women surgeons are to gain equal privileges with men in regard to their membership of the Royal College of Surgeons. The secretary of the College stated in an interview that it is contemplated at the next meeting of the Council of the College to consider the question of making application to the Privy Council for a supplementary charter to admit women on equal terms with men. Though women have previously become Fellows and members of the College by virtue of an Act of Parliament, they have possessed no corporate rights. If the proposed request of the Council is granted, the present women Fellows and members will have full voting power and the right to be elected to the Council.

South Sea Islanders are soon to have wireless communication with the outside world. When the Rev. G. H. Eastman, of the London Missionary Society, leaves for the Gilbert Islands, he will take with him a number of radio sets for distribution among the natives. Coconut palms 80 to 90 feet high are to be used for aerial poles, and it is hoped to be able to pick up the wireless signals at Sydney, Australia. The Gilbert Islands probably are the most lonely and primitive of all the British possessions in the South Seas and communication with Sydney, more than 2,000 miles from the islands, is only possible by means of steamers, which sometimes are seven and eight months apart, and food supplies sometimes dwindle.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Rev. P. B. Clayton, M.C., of Tox H. fame, arrives in Singapore on Saturday, October 3, and leaves on Monday, October 5.

According to a report published by the "Morning Post," Admiral Beatty is about to resign command of the British Fleet. Admiral Sir John de Robeck and Admiral Sir Charles Madden are mentioned as successors.

Mr. W. M. E. Martin, assistant conservator of forests, Tamping, shot a fully grown male tiger 7½ feet in length, at Johol, on the Negri Sembilan boundary. The animal was driven out of the jungle by local Malays and shot by Mr. Martin on foot.

Cyril Tolley, the former golf champion, has entered for tennis tournaments under the name of "A. Birdie." Golfers facetiously applaud his modesty, remarking that he might, for instance, have chosen "A. N. Eagle." Tolley made a successful first appearance in the Buxton tennis tournament.

"I know from experience that housewives would find it better to ask for Empire goods," said the Queen, during her Wembley visit. When told that the housewives did not ask for Empire goods, Her Majesty said: "I'm afraid that is the real trouble—they take what is offered." During the visit the Queen sympathetically asked a lost boy whether he were worried, but he replied: "No, I gotta apple."

Pressure was brought to bear on Jack Sharp, captain of the Lancashire cricket team, to reconsider his decision not to play at the Old Trafford Ground in the remaining two matches of the season, because the crowd, known as "the wolves of the cricket field," harassed and insulted when Sharp dropped a catch against Middlesex. The authorities admit that Sharp has good grounds for refusing. A large section of Old Trafford spectators are repeatedly unfriendly.

Miss C. O. Frost and Mr. A. J. Pilgrim returned to the Colony by the "Siberia Maru" yesterday.

Signorina Edda, the 18-year-old daughter of Signor Mussolini, is reported to have rescued at Catolica, a health resort on the Adriatic, a young girl who got into difficulties while swimming, and was on the point of drowning.

A man who was at school with Kipling—to whom, therefore, "Stalky & Co." is an open book, passes on the somewhat surprising fact that "young Kipling" was not very popular among his schoolmates, because he was always getting himself excused from games on the ground of delicateness. Strange (isn't it?) that the apostle of Jingoism should have started life as a "milkop." But such is the way of the world.

Nothing under the sun is new, not even the present mode in Oxford trousers. In the 80's of last century one of the most popular and best known figures in the University was Dr. John Richard Magrath, Provost of Queen's College. He was a short, handsome man, with a long white beard, and always wore immensely wide trousers. Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, who was a member of Queen's in those days, says, in his recent book of "Memories," that they had a College song about him. He quotes one verse, most of the other not being couched in Parliamentary language.

He has a long beard which he playfully wags
When he does the redoubtable
And nothing in Oxford can equal the bags
Of Dr. John Richard Magrath.

NOXON

The Bombay Municipal Corporation Hall presented an animated scene recently when Joseph Baptista was elected president of the corporation amidst the cheers of his supporters. This is the first time for two decades that a native Christian has occupied the presidential chair.

King George has become more of an outdoor enthusiast than ever. Early in the spring he had a specially fitted summer house placed in the gardens of Buckingham Palace, where he carried on his routine work in the unusually warm weather which London experienced all through June and early July this year.

There is a distinct possibility that London will shortly experience the pleasure of seeing Mrs. Patrick Campbell in the West End. Off the stage, she is one of the world's champion leg-pullers. When she was introduced to Mr. H. G. Wells, she instantly began to ply him with questions about boxing. He apologised for his inability to answer them, saying that he was comparatively ignorant of the art. "Oh!" exclaimed Mrs. Pat disappointedly. "I thought you were Mr. Bombardier Wells!"

Austen Chamberlain, presiding over a dinner of the Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Institution, told a good story about himself. After a strenuous week's work in the Council of the League of Nations at Geneva, he had reserved an afternoon to visit a certain wonderful garden, for he is a great gardening enthusiast. When the dinner was concluded on his way to see his garden, he was met by a group of the Foreign Ministry. The Foreign Minister, who was everywhere, said: "I am glad to see you, Mr. Chamberlain. I have been thinking of you very much."

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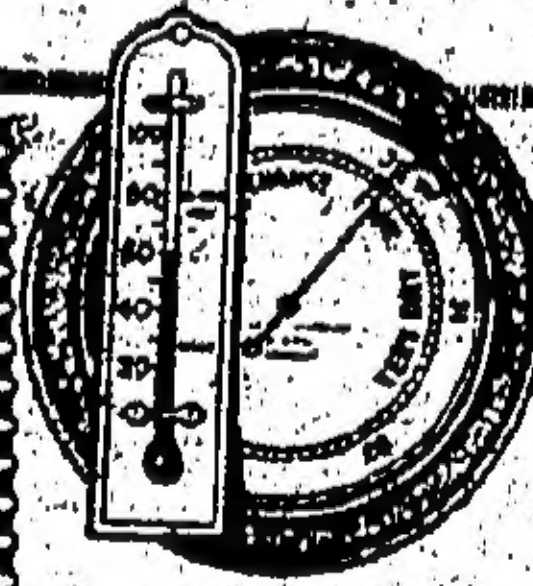
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WEEK-END BASEBALL

GOOD PLAY IN DOUBLE HEADERS.

The Japanese Club and South China A.A. each gained victory by one-run margins over the Hongkong Baseball Club and the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps at the Happy Valley diamond on Saturday afternoon, and improved their standing in the League.

The deciding runs in each case came at the last moment, and sufficient excitement was provided for the visitors to make up for the lack of spectacular batting.

In the earlier game between the S.C.A.A. and the H.V.D.C., the position at the end of seven innings was a tie. Another inning was played, and the Chinese got home by a single run.

Volunteers v. Chinese.

The Volunteers gave a dazzling exhibition, and but for a few errors played a good game. The pitching and fielding were all that could be desired. The Chinese on the other hand also played an excellent game and their victory can only be attributed to superior fielding. Both teams failed to make more than one run in an inning.

The Volunteers scored in the first inning through Owen Hughes on a fly by Bowker in the direction of right field, which puzzled June. This fielder, however, brought off a fine catch and disposed of Ramsay and his side in the second inning for a blank score.

The Chinese gained a run in the second inning making a tie, and a ding-dong struggle ensued until the end of the sixth inning which showed a further run for each side through Burns and Shim.

The fourth and fifth innings of the Volunteers provided some spectacular fielding. Burns and Lammer were put out at first base by a remarkable double movement between the first and second base men, and they also accounted for Howell. In the latter inning a similar movement between catcher and first base disposed of Curtis, who had almost reached the plate, and Owen Hughes who was taking first base.

In the fourth inning of the Chinese, Shim stole two bases, and, taking advantage of an error at third base, ran home.

In the seventh inning Curtis placed his side one up by getting home from second base on an error at first base.

The Chinese levelled up, Leung getting home from second base on a faulty throw by catcher at third. Eager sacrificed a base to Choy by missing a fly, and the latter was on the point of reaching the plate after stealing when put up by Ramsay. The score at this point was three all.

Good double play by the first and second base men again dismissed two Volunteers in the eighth inning, and the right field accounted for the third man with a good catch.

In the follow on, Ramsay made an error and conceded June a base, Chan getting to second. The latter came home on a fly by Pan and won the match for his side.

Americans v. Japanese.

The first three innings of each side were uninteresting, there being too many catches. There was no scoring, the Americans doing better by getting to second base on two occasions, the Japanese being forced to return from first base.

The Americans gained a run in the fourth inning, and in the next Ramsome gave a three-base hit to left field, and was later assisted home by Dome, making the score 2-0.

With one down and men on second and third bases, Yokoi was caught at left field, but between the catch and the throw in the base men beat the fielders by reaching the place. Kano was put out at base, the score being two all.

In the sixth inning, Munroe gave a good hit in the direction of centre and reached second base, Harlow from that position getting home. Munroe stole to third, with Church in the rear. At this stage Uno at first base made a bad mistake which cost a further two runs, the Americans thus getting the lead by three runs.

From the point of view of the spectators, the Japanese were beaten, but this was soon proved not to be so. Uno made up for his recent falling by making a hurricane hit to right and fetching two men home, and he himself reached the plate helped by another hurricane shot by Akiyama. The innings closed with four runs, one ahead of their opponents.

The seventh inning was opened

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON v. POLICE "FRIENDLY."

In spite of the warm weather for football a very enjoyable "friendly" game was played at Kowloon on Saturday afternoon between the local Club and the Police. Football is unique in that it can draw spectators in any kind of weather, and this was the case once more, the attendance of enthusiasts being quite good for an unannounced match.

The result was a draw—one goal each—but the game provided good practice for the more serious matches ahead. The standard of football provided was good, being proof that both teams will have to be reckoned with in the League and Shield ties.

by the Americans, but smart double play disposed of two men. Harlow was walked, and later got to third on an error with Shank stealing to second. Munroe hit one to the sky and was caught by S. Hachiuma, all being dismissed for a blank score and the Japanese winning by one run.

The game was concluded in semi-darkness, and the winners were deservedly applauded on accomplishing what appeared at one time impossible.

Ishimatsu seemed to have lost his pitching arm and walked more men than the Japanese side and their supporters cared to see. Dome for the opposition pitched very well, and was responsible for keeping down a pack which has the uncanny knack of making the devil's number (13 runs) in a single inning!

The line-up of the teams and score by inning were as under:—

Volunteers		Chinese
Ramsay	c.	S. S. Lee
Owen Hughes	c.f.	June
Curtis	p.	Pan
Burns	1b.	Pung
Eager	3b.	Choy
Stewart	2b.	Chan
Bowker	s.s.	Shim
Howell	r.f.	Chanson
Lammert	l.f.	Leung
	1 2 3	4 5 6 7 8 9 Tl.

Americans

Chinese	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	—
Americans								
Church	3b.	Honda						
Lane	c.f.	Kusano						
Ransome	s.s.	S. Hachiuma						
Proulx	c.	Y. Hachiuma						
Dome	p.	Ishimatsu						
Harlow	1b.	Uno						
Shank	2b.	Akiyama						
Munroe	r.f.	Kano						
Cockey	l.f.	Yokoi						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Tl.
Americans	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	—
Japanese	0	0	0	2	4	—	6	—

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Filipinos v. S.C.A.A.

Yesterday afternoon two more matches were played. In the first, the South China A.A. defeated the Filipino Club, by six runs to none.

The line-up and score by inning follow:—

Filipinos	S.C.A.A.
Leonard	1b. Pung
Angeles	p. S. L. Lee
J. Sancho	r.f. June
Delgado	c. S. S. Lee
Cruz	s.s. Chau
Francisco	2b. Pan
Tecson	3b. Choy
Rull	l.f. Leung
Bautista	c.f. Shim

The Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps defeated the Indian Recreation Club by 24-8.

The Volunteers played an excellent game, making few errors. The Indians opened the score in the first innings with 2 runs, but at the end of the second inning the Volunteers led by 7-3. They added another 2 in the third, 3 in the fifth and 12 in the sixth.

Owen Hughes was the outstanding player and made a home run in the second inning.

The line-up and score by inning follow:—

f	S. A. Ismail	3b.	Eager
e,	Abbas	c.f.	Owen Hughes
o	Kitchell	2b.	Stewart
o	O. Ismail	s.s.	Bowker
r.	Omar	l.f.	Lammert
e	S. A. R. Ismail	1b.	Burns
g	Ackbbar	c.	Ralph
is	Arculli	r.f.	Daly
ee	Minu	p.	Curtis

Positions to Date.

The positions of the Clubs in the League to date are:—

Japanese	P. W. L.
South China	9 3 1
Hongkong B.C.	9 5 4
Volunteers	9 3 8
Indian Club	10 8 7
Indian R.C.	10 1 9

V.R.C. FETE.

GOOD SPORT DESPITE THE RAIN.

A large attendance and an attractive programme were the features of the second aquatic fete held by the Victoria Recreation Club on Saturday night.

A little rain fell shortly after the close of the programme of races and during the diving exhibition, causing some inconvenience to those in the open, but it soon cleared for the programme to be completed in full with the water polo match.

Amongst interested spectators were H.M. the Governor, Sir Reginald R. Stubbs, K.C.M.G., who was accompanied by Mr. T. J. Guisford-St. Lawrence (Private Secretary) and Capt. Swinton, M.C. (A.D.C.), the Hon. Sir Claude Severn, C.M.G., LL.D., Sir Henry Gollan, Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, Mr. C. D. Melbourne, and Mr. W. Logan.

As will be seen from the results, the various events were keenly contested. The entries were good, the 100 yards Members' Aggregate providing three heats, the One Length Scratch Race three heats, and three teams competing in the Team Race for members.

The running header from spring board and the diving exhibition were quite spectacular and the competitors gained the applause of the spectators.

In the Girls' Handicap the Misses M. George and P. Hunt secured the same places as last week, the winner improving the time by two seconds.

At the conclusion of the sports, Mr. W. Logan said that the V.R.C. had always something new to offer in the realm of sports and paid a tribute to Mr. R. C. Withell, the energetic Honorary Secretary. He also congratulated the mysterious men of H.M.S. "Hermes" who had competed with the Volunteers and beaten them. Mr. Logan called on Col. Robertson to give away the prizes, adding that he was one of the finest sportsmen in the Colony.

Col. Robertson considered that Col. Bird ought to be reprimanded for shifting the work on to him by going in search of refreshment. (Laughter). He had no option but to officiate, and he expressed thanks to the swimmers for their splendid performance.

Cheers were called for and heartily given, and dancing followed to the strains of the Lyric Orchestra.

RESULTS.

100 Yards Members' Aggregate (Final).—1, G. Razavet; 2, B. Assumpcao. Time: 62, 66 2/5 secs. Youths' Race, 100 Yards Handicap.—1, L. Roza Pereira; 2, W. Matcham. Time: 72, 75 1/5 secs. Girls' Race, 50 Yards Handicap.—1, Miss Maud George; 2, Miss Phyllis Hunt. Time: 37, 45 secs.

Running Header from Spring Board.—1, E. A. Brodie, 71 points; 2, C. McKenzie, 70 points; 3, W. G. Urquhart, 68 points.

Ladies' 100 Yards Handicap.—1, Miss M. Gourlay; 2, Miss B. George. Time: 1:40 2/5, 1:27 2/5.

Challenge Team Race.—Officers of H.M.S. "Hermes" beat Officers of Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. The teams were:—Volunteers: Lieuts. Davies, Concannon, Penn, Bartholomew, Mitchell and Moncrief. "Hermes": Lieuts. Grant, Rodger, Richardson, Haines, Carndiff and Warner. Time: 3:15, 3:29.

Team Race, Members.—D. Lyon's team won from teams led by G. Razavet and B. Rassmussen. Time: 2:48.

Boys' 50 Yards Handicap.—1, Jack Lyon; 2, J. McCubbin. Time: 33 3/5, 39 1/5 secs. One Length Scratch (Open) 25 Yards (Final).—1, E. Noronha; 2, G. Razavet. Time: 11 3/5, 12 secs.

Water Polo.

Teams from the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps and the Victoria Recreation Club took part in a water polo match, the teams being:—

H.V.D.C.—D. Lyon, G. R. Razavet, E. Ralton, K. Mason, S. H. Garrod, V. Ramsay and E. Brodie.

V.R.C.—J. Stewart, S. A. Marcel, D. Laing, F. Reed, B. Rassmussen, C. McKenzie and T. King.

The game was evenly contested and ended in a draw, each side scoring a goal. The H.V.D.C. scored the first goal before the interval and the V.R.C. equalised in the second half.

Washington, September 14.—The gunboats, Tulsa and Denver are proceeding to the ports of Gringo (on the Pacific) and Bluefields (on the Caribbean) respectively, as a precautionary measure, considered necessary by the American Legion at Nicaragua, as the result of the disturbed state of the country. No landing operations are being planned.—Reuters.

LAWN BOWLS.

TAKOO TEAMS WIN AND LOSE.

In the Second Division of the Bowls League the Takoo Recreation Club visited the Kowloon Cricket Club's ground, on Saturday afternoon, and won by the respectable total of 78 shots to 49.

The closest play was seen in the rinks skipped by Davidson (K.C.C.) and Muirhead (Takoo), the latter just winning by a solitary point after an intensely interesting game, which was practically settled by the local rink being down seven points (2-9) at the fifth head. They hung to their opponents gamely, and gradually reduced the leeway, until, as stated, only one point separated them at the finish. Muirhead's rink has been unbeaten this season—a record of which to be justly proud! In the other two rinks the visitors gained the victory by fairly large majorities.

K.C.C. Takoo.

J. Howe	Chapman
W. W. Hopkins	Maxwell
V. C. Labrum	Matthews
A. W. E. Davidson	Muirhead
(Skip) .. 17	(Skip) .. 13
F. Goodwin	J. Chalmers
G. Harrison	W. Warnock
B. Petheram	S. Stewart
W. Goldenberg	T. Grimes
(Skip) .. 12	(Skip) .. 24
F. W. Robson	P. M. Stewart
W. J. F. Gorvin	F. S. McKechtie
J. Robinson	J. Sloan
F. G. Herridge	G. McLeod
(Skip) .. 20	(Skip) .. 36
Total .. 49	Total .. 78

Spey Cup.

In the competition for the Spey Cup the Kowloon Dock rink met the Takoo Recreation Club on Saturday afternoon, and proved victorious by 8 shots.

K.D.R.C.	Takoo.
Goodman	T. Young
Docherty	W. Weir
Cullen	R. Wallace
Lapsley	W. Wotherspoon
(Skip) .. 19	(Skip) .. 11

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.	P. W. D. L. P.
Craigengower C.C.	10 8 0 2 16
Takoo R.C.	10 7 0 3 14
Kowloon B.G.	10 5 1 4 11
Civil Service C.C.	10 4 0 6 8
Kowloon Dock	10 3 1 6 7
Kowloon C.C.	10 2 0 8 4
Division II.	P. W. D. L. P.
Police R.C.	10 9 0 1 18
Takoo R.C.	9 7 0 2 14
Kowloon C.C.	10 5 0 5 10
Indian R.C.	9 5 0 4 10
East Point R.C.	9 1 0 8 2
R.H.K.Y.C.	7 0 0 7 0

TENNIS MATCH.

SAPPERS v. H.K.V.D.C. SAPPERS.

An interesting series of lawn tennis matches was played on the Garrison Recreation Ground at Sookumpoo on Saturday afternoon between the Royal Engineers (40th Company) and the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps (Engineer Company).

Altogether 16 sets were played, the Royal Engineers winning 11 sets and the balance going to the Volunteers.

Detailed results follow:—Staff-Sergt. Higgs and Q.M.S. Faro (R.E.) beat Rice and Pryor (Volunteers) 9-0. Q.M.S. Faro and Staff-Sergt. Higgs (R.E.) also beat Jarrett and Harman (Volunteers) 9-0. Smith and Westlake (Volunteers) beat Col. Trevelyan and Q.M.S. Brown (R.E.) 5-4. Pryor and Hugh Jones (Volunteers) beat Sergt.-Major Smith and Col. Macintosh (R.E.) 6-3. Sergts. Cockell and Blondin (R.E.) beat Best and Westlake (Volunteers) 8-1. Col. Macintosh and Sergt.-Major Smith (R.E.) beat Maskell and Pryor (Volunteers) 7-2.

Sergts. Cockell and Blondin (R.E.) beat Maskell and Best (Volunteers) 7-2. Col. Trevelyan and Q.M.S. Brown (R.E.) beat Jarrett and Ross (Volunteers) 9-0.

Sergts. Blondin and Cockell (R.E.) beat Pryor and Hugh Jones (Volunteers) 5-4.

Staff-Sergt. Higgs and Q.M.S. Faro (R.E.) beat Westlake and Capt. Melville Smith (Volunteers) 5-4.

Hugh Jones and Pryor (Volunteers) beat Col. Trevelyan and Q.M.S. Brown (R.E.) 5-4. Sergeants Cockell and Blondin (R.E.) beat Jarrett and Ross (Volunteers) 8-1.

Q.M.S. Faro and Staff-Sergt. Higgs (R.E.) beat Best and Westlake (Volunteers) 6-3.

Pryor and Hugh Jones (Volunteers) beat Sergt.-Major Smith and Col. Macintosh (R.E.) 6-3.

Col. Trevelyan and Q.M.S. Brown (R.E.) beat Best and Maskell (Volunteers) 7-2.

Capt. Melville Smith and Westlake (Volunteers) beat Col. Macintosh and Sergt.-Major Smith (R.E.) 5-4.

Shots For And Against.

Division I.	For.	Agst.	Up.	Down.
Takoo	645	525	120	0
Craigengower	621	550	71	0
Civil Service	597	575	22	0
Kowloon B.G.	561	563	0	2
Kowloon Dock	549	588	0	39
Kowloon C.C.	483	655	0	172
Division II.	For.	Agst.	Up.	Down.
Police	654	484	180	0
Takoo	557	406	92	0
Indian R.C.	539	477	62	0
Kowloon C.C.	575	609	0	34
East Point R.C.	475	532	0	57
R.H.K.Y.C.	391	514	0	123

SERVICE BOXERS.

SURREY REGT. v. H.M.S. "HERMES."

Both branches of His Majesty's services were strongly represented at the boxing contests which took place on Saturday night at Murray Barracks between the East Surrey Regiment and H.M.S. "Hermes" and some good bouts were witnessed. The soldiers won by seven contests to six.

Among those present were Major-General C. C. Luard, Lt.-Col. F. S. Montague Bates, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, and Mr. G. M. Young.

Commander Broadley, of H.M.S. "Hermes" and Col. Montague Bates were the referees, and Lieuts. Cope, Beattie (R.N.) and Sillitoe (Royal Marines) the judges.

The seaman who carried off two contests in the course of the evening (A.B. Ewin) came in for a special word of praise from Col. Montague Bates when at the conclusion he thanked the officers of H.M.S. "Hermes" for arranging such good contests, and introduced General Luard who presented the prizes.

The two fights in which Ewin took part were as follows:—Pte. Eaton v. A.B. Ewin: Eaton was probably the stronger of the two, but Ewin kept him at a distance and declined to go into fighting, although he did most of the leading. He won on points.

Pte. Pooley v. A.B. Ewin: Pooley had the advantage of reach, but made no use of it and showed little initiative. He took a count in the first round and tried to make the going for a time in the second, but Ewin easily countered his wild swings and sent him to the floor again. Pooley got to his feet, but was very shaky, and the gong saved him. Ewin won on points.

A Surprise.

Pte. Mann v. Stoker Morris: Something of a surprise was occasioned by the defeat of Mann, who is well known in local boxing circles. He was not at his best, but all credit to the Stoker who used his head and deserved the decision if it was only for his fine body work.

Pte. Roberts v. Stoker Addison: "Your mustn't wrestle," was the stern command of the referee in this contest, and there was certainly a lot of clinches, surprisingly enough on the part of the Stoker who had a decided advantage in reach but did not avail himself of it. His body work, too, was good and obtained points for him. Roberts opened strongly in the second round but finished up rather wildly. The last round was a good one. The Stoker won on points.

Knock-Outs.

There were three knock-outs in the course of the evening, these being in the following contests: L/Cpl. Wright v. A. B. Cole: This was a matter of seconds,

Wright going to the floor with a crash from the seaman's right. He struck his head on the boards and was still dazed for a time after being counted out.

Pte. Eaton v. A. B. Godfrey: This also finished in the first round and could hardly be termed a contest. Godfrey was forced back to the ropes and severely punished. He was twice heard to mutter that he would give in and then appeared to change his mind. On being sent back to the ropes again he took the count.

Pte. Blake v. A. B. Elliott: Elliott never got over a terrific right to the jaw with which Blake opened and he collapsed when Blake got in further blows, taking the count in the first round. He made a game attempt to rise.

A Retirement.

In one bout a contestant retired and in another the referee stopped the fight. These were as follows:—

Dmr. Bowles v. Pte. Williams: Williams appeared with plaster on his face and appeared to signify that it was due to a reopening of a wound that he retired in the first round but Bowles had studiously avoided the face and the cause of the retirement was probably a severe body blow which he got in.

Pte. Ditch v. L. S. Baker: Ditch upon first appearance appeared to be the cleverer of the two, but he was dazed as a result of being sent to the boards and the referee would not allow him to continue.

Other Contests.

Other fights were as follows: Cpl. Choules v. A. B. Mitchell: Mitchell fell several times in the first round but stuck it gamely to the end. The soldier won on points.

Pte. Quelch v. Boy Curtis: The "Boy" was certainly much younger than Quelch but put up a very good fight and there could have been little difference in the points. The "Boy" came in for a deal of applause and deservedly so. He has a straight left and knows how to use it.

Dmr. Simpson v. S. A. Bradley: This was a rather fierce fight in which the sailor appeared to be stronger but the soldier won on points.

Pte. Problitts v. A. B. Valentine: Valentine opened strongly and Problitts contended himself with defending at first, taking the lead after the first round and winning on points.

New York, September 13.—Sixty Chinamen who were arrested following the recent fighting between rival gangs have been taken to Ellis Island for deportation. Other arrests were also made.—Reuters.

Shanghai, September 12.—With reference to a Berlin message of September 10, Wu Pei-fu has requested Reuter to deny the report that Trebitsch Lincoln is his adviser. He has never heard of such a person.—Reuters.



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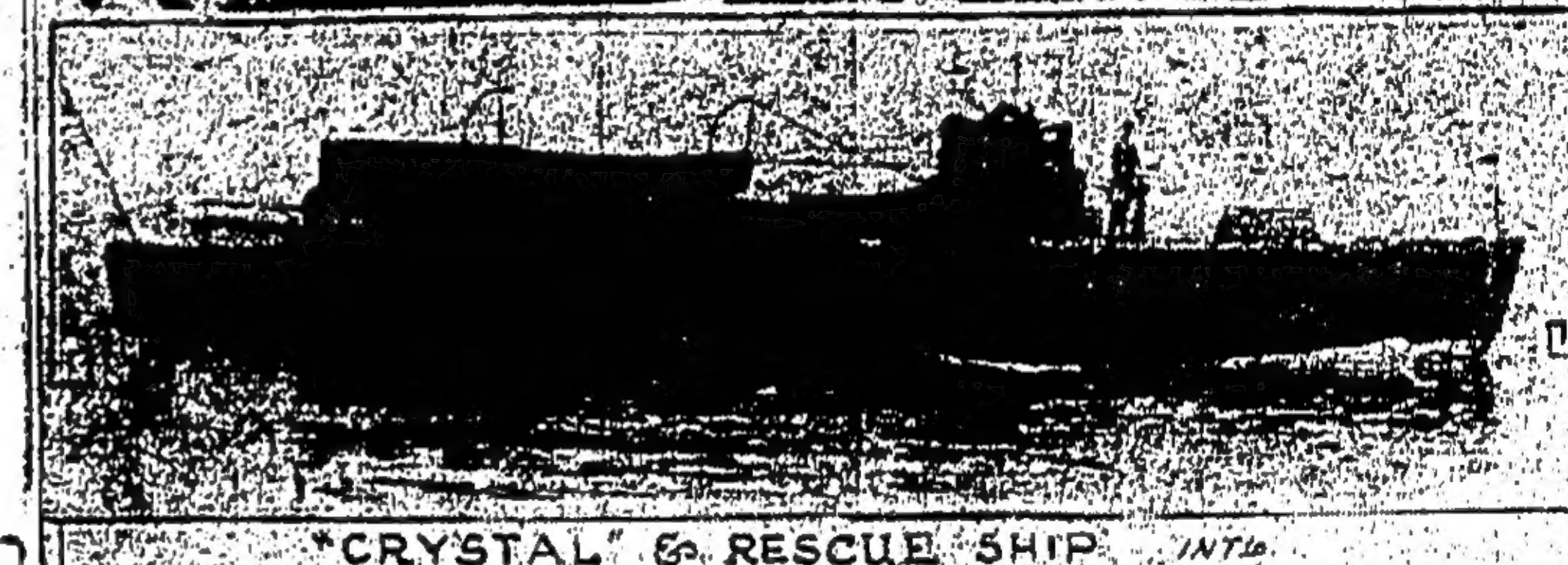


Nine hours after the antiquated Pickwick Club, a Boston night club, collapsed and killed scores of dancers, rescue workers found Edith Jordan, caught by heavy timbers, but still living. "My husband!" she asked. "Alive and safe," she was told. She sighed and died.

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The Rt. Hon. Montagu Collet Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, who was recently elected for the third time to his post.



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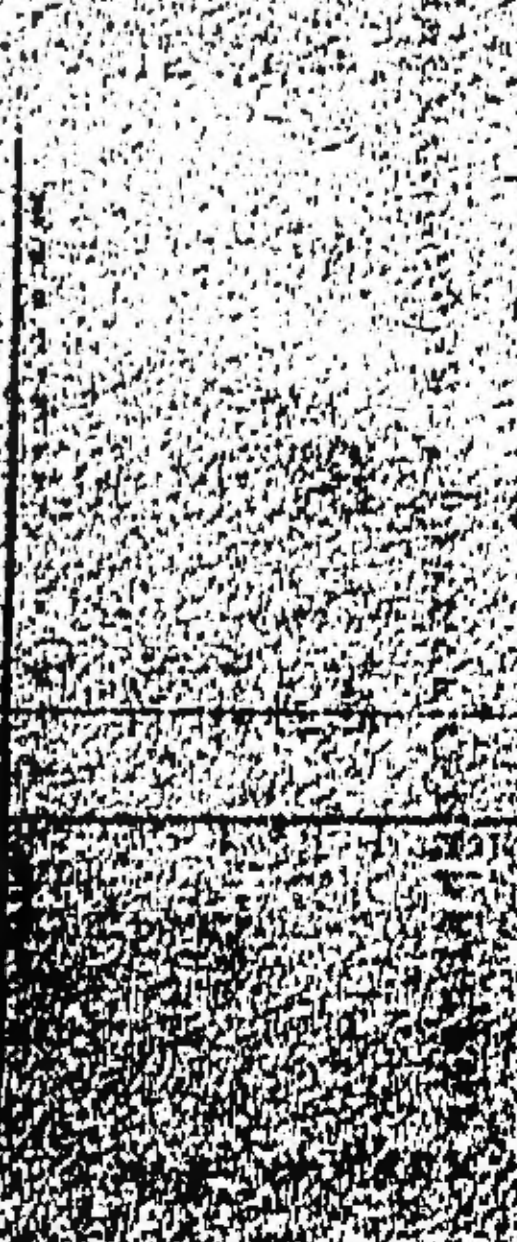


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The Gladstone Libels.

Public gratitude is owing to the sons of Mr. Gladstone for the prompt and straightforward manner in which they have vindicated the memory of their father, says the "Sunday Times." Calumnies such as the one perpetrated by Captain Peter Wright can live only in the darkness; when brought out into the light of day they lose their vital force, and die the contemptible death they deserve. Captain Wright has been held up by Lord Gladstone to public disdain, branded as a liar and a coward, and challenged to defend himself. Protected from punishment by the law which disallows "libels" on a dead man, he is further guarded by his own not wholly admirable prudence—a prudence largely actuated, no doubt, by the consciousness that Lord Gladstone's epithets are fully warranted. By this judicious inactivity, however, he condemns himself and his book, and clears the reputation of his victim as completely as any law-suit could have done. Captain Wright, indeed, has small reason to congratulate himself. It is an unenviable notoriety which he has won for himself; and one can scarcely believe that the sales of his book will, as he has impudently suggested, be increased by the publicity his scandal-mongering has achieved. If he has not been chastised with whips, he will not escape the scorpions of public opinion, which can be grievous in their chastisement. And out of this unpleasant business may come some good results. The reputation of Mr. Gladstone will stand the clearer and the nobler for this mendacious and gross assault; and the public will be warned by the exposure of the defamer to be chary in future of putting its faith in the muck-rakers of literature.

The Oldest Surgeon.

"Who is the oldest practising surgeon?" some one asked at lunch. The answer, "Dr. Mary Scharlieb," came as a surprise, for no one had thought of a woman in this connection, says a writer in the "Daily Express."



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"Jack the Clipper."

The misdeeds of an alleged Italian, "Jack the Clipper," who cut the hair of girls and young women at night and disappeared, have created a sensation in many parts of Reggio Emilia. The police were disconcerted and the public became excited. Nearly every day or evening fresh cases were reported, and the police were unable to trace the supposed miscreant. The secret has now been discovered, and it appears that the girls themselves cut their hair. Many a young lass longed to wear short hair, but her parents objected. To satisfy their longing for the new fashion, the girls, therefore, secretly cut their own hair, and in order to escape paternal correction, invented the story of having been assailed. The mysterious cases, however, became too numerous, and some of the young persons confessed. The public, nevertheless, continued to be excited, and in one case a commercial traveller seen spending to a girl on a country road was followed by a crowd and severely beaten.

Tragic Wedding Night.

A terrible story of a love entanglement which led a young husband and his bride to commit murder on their wedding night is reported from Fresno-le-Grand, near Saint Quentin. The bridegroom, Alfred Muscat, had for some time, and guilty relations with his brother's wife, Jeanne Muscat, but recently decided to end this relationship and to marry Simone Panier, a girl of 17. Jeanne Muscat, however, jealous of her younger rival, did all she could to dissuade her lover from marrying, and finally threatened to kill him, if he deserted her. Muscat, therefore, got her out of the way by a trick. He announced to her that he was going to Curcassonne to see a girl he had met during the war. Jeanne Muscat, prompted by her jealousy, went to Curcassonne on the following day to spy upon her lover, but found after several days of inquiry that he had never been there. When she returned to the village to seek his explanation, however, she found that he had just married Simone Panier. The newly-married couple were asleep when, at the dead of night, they were roused by Jeanne Muscat, who forced her way into the house and made a savage attack on the young bride. There was a short but desperate tussle, and then Jeanne Muscat, flung, overcome by her emotions. She never regained consciousness, for the young couple seized this opportunity to silence for ever the disturber of their peace. Jeanne Muscat was thrust into a well. But the crime lay heavy on the newly-married couple's conscience, and they have now confessed to the police.

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